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A BILL FOR

1 An Act including emergency medicine as an eligible practice
2 specialty under the rural Iowa primary care loan repayment
3 program.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 261.113, subsection 3, paragraph d, Code
2 2016, is amended to read as follows:

3 d. Within nine months of graduating from the residency
4 program and receiving a permanent license in accordance with
5 paragraph "b", engage in the full-time practice of medicine
6 and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery specializing
7 in family medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry, internal medicine,
8 emergency medicine, or general surgery for a period of five
9 consecutive years in the service commitment area specified
10 under subsection 6, unless the loan repayment recipient
11 receives a waiver from the commission to complete the years
12 of practice required under the agreement in another service
13 commitment area pursuant to subsection 6.

14 Sec. 2. Section 261.113, subsection 8, Code 2016, is amended
15 to read as follows:

16 8. *Part-time practice — agreement amended.* A person who
17 entered into an agreement pursuant to subsection 3 may apply
18 to the commission to amend the agreement to allow the person
19 to engage in less than the full-time practice specified in
20 the agreement and under subsection 3, paragraph "d". If the
21 commission determines exceptional circumstances exist, the
22 commission and the person may consent to amend the agreement
23 under which the person shall engage in less than full-time
24 practice of medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine
25 and surgery specializing in family medicine, pediatrics,
26 psychiatry, internal medicine, emergency medicine, or general
27 surgery in a service commitment area for an extended period
28 of part-time practice determined by the commission to be
29 proportional to the amount of full-time practice remaining
30 under the original agreement.

31 EXPLANATION

32 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
33 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

34 This bill relates to the requirements for eligibility for
35 participation in the rural Iowa primary care loan repayment

1 program. The bill adds emergency medicine to the list of
2 specialties in which an individual may engage for a period
3 of five consecutive years in a service commitment area to
4 be eligible for the program. Under current law, eligible
5 specialties are limited to family medicine, pediatrics,
6 psychiatry, internal medicine, and general surgery.